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In re Application of: Thomas D. Hartnett, John S. Kuslak, and Gary J. Lucas
Title: PIPELINE CONTROLLER FOR PROVIDING
INDEPENDENT EXECUTION BETWEEN THE
PRELIMINARY AND ADVANCED STAGES OF A
SYNCHRONOUS PIPELINE
Docket No.: RA-5271K

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir,

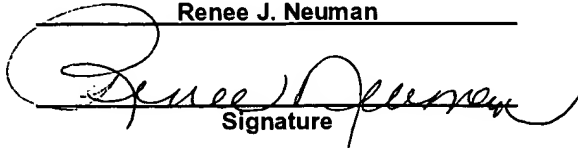
Applicants hereby Appeal the Final Rejection of Claims 1-7 and 21-46 dated January 14, 2004 in the subject case. Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3790 \$330.00 for the filing of this notice of appeal pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(c). It is believed that no additional fees are required. In the event additional fees are required, please charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 19-3790. An extra copy of this transmittal is included.

Respectfully submitted,

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